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INTRODUCTION

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, dated May 23, 2005, in the above-identified application wherein claims 1-11 were objected to with a request for clarification and claims 1-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 3,839,425 (Bartlett).

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Application No.: 10/696950Case No.: 59330US002**CONCLUSION**

In view of the amendments and discussion above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Allowance of claims 1-11, as amended, at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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